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RAILROAD BUILDING AND POLITICS

Agricultural News—Settlement of the Open Prairies—The Stock Business—Growth of Towns.

SENATOR COCHRANE'S GREAT RANCH.

The Canada Pacific railway has been successful in accomplishing an arrangement with the Michigan Central for a direct all-rail route to Detroit, Chicago, and all points west, southwest and northwest. The new through line is composed of the eastern division of the Canada Pacific railway from Montreal to Smith's Falls, via Ottawa, and the Ontario and Quebec to Toronto, thence by the Credit Valley to St. Thomas, where connections will be made with the Michigan Central railway. The route is longer than by the Grand Trunk, but this defect will be obviated by running trains at a high rate of speed. It will be open for passenger traffic when the Ontario and Quebec line is in order. Two through fast express trains with the finest equipment of passenger coaches and sleepers will run through daily without change. Dining saloons will be located at convenient stations along the route.

The railway authorities did not give satisfactory rates to persons from the States who wished to attend the Toronto celebration. In Chicago 1200 persons put down their names and offered to take tickets, but the railroads refused to make proper concessions, and only a dozen of the officers came on to take part, subsequently, in the proceedings here. Of course this short-sighted policy of the railways effectually dampened the enthusiasm outside Canada, and prevented thousands from uniting with their fellow-countrymen who would otherwise have gladly taken their stations in the various out-of-door demonstrations.

The blowing up of the ship Mohawk in the harbor at Kingston, July 1, was a great success, the arrangements made by Sergeant-Major Buttes being most perfect. She was set on fire first, and after burning for ten minutes was sent into the air in millions of pieces. Six hundred pounds of powder were placed beneath her in two barrels. She was painted to resemble a man-of-war, and looked to handsome to be destroyed.

A despatch to the Toronto Mail says: Louis Riel arrived at Stobart, a settlement containing about 600 half-breeds, forty miles from Prince Albert, yesterday. He came from Montana. Half-breeds from neighboring sections are assembling there. Their object is not definitely known, but it is rumored that they intend to hold a conference and convention with Riel. The paper says in all probability there is nothing of consequence in the movement; but the Government will no doubt have early information on the subject.—Ed.

A novel spectacle, the burning of a dam, was seen at Point Fortune, Quebec. Flames, supposed to have been ignited by a workman's pipe, rose from that part of the Carillon main dam laid dry for repairs since high water by the cofferdam. The blaze soon spread over some sixty feet, but disappeared in about two hours. No material damage was done, as the burnt work was soon to be replaced.

We learn that Mr. E. Miall, Commissioner of Inland Revenue, has just issued a circular notifying the forwarding companies and steamboat owners that the Government is now prepared to refund all tolls collected since the 28th of May in excess of the recent reduction. The prospects for the St. Lawrence route securing a share of the grain trade are now much better, and large quantities of wheat are now en route to Montreal.

Westbrooke, the bicyclist of Brantford, went to Kingston and entered in the local races as Whitehall, and gave money to some young men to bet on him, but as they found out who he was they bet against him, in order to let him lose his money. Westbrooke, however, was too sharp for them, and lost the race.

Senator Cochran, of Montreal, who owns a large ranch near Calgary, left that place, says the Herald, on Monday for Montana. He will spend a week in the vicinity of MacLeod, where he will be joined by Mr. Kerfoot. They will then proceed to Benton and Sun River to purchase a band of six thousand sheep, to be placed on their range at Big Hill.

Strenuous efforts will be made to have the eastern branch of the C. P. railway reach Kamloops by the first of 1886, which will thus complete the road through to the Pacific, but it will be a miracle if they succeed in reaching that place before the end of 1886.

The nineteen Riverhead prisoners accused of the murder of five Orangemen at St. Stephen, were yesterday all acquitted amid intense excitement.

Gunner John Lennox, of the Hamilton Field Battery, who was injured by the premature discharge of a gun, is progressing favorably at the hospital.

Petty thieves reaped a harvest at Toronto during the late celebration.

Fairies in Ireland.

[Chicago Times.]

According to the testimony of a gentleman who has lived long among them, the belief is general among the people of the south of Ireland in fairies. They are presumed to live in beautiful caves in the mountains. Many belated travelers declare that they have heard them sing at times when there were no sounds to drown their voices. They are supposed to be exceedingly diminutive in size, and to be able to walk on flowers and grasses without crushing them. It is thought that they can contract or enlarge their size at pleasure and render themselves transparent. It is also believed that they can pass through key-holes and move through the air without being seen. The people speak well of them, probably more from fear than love. A familiar female spirit, called a "banshee," is supposed to exercise influence over every house or hovel.

A more public elf is "cluricaune," which generally assumes the form of an emaciated old man. He is possessed of many secrets, as the location of treasures, which he often reveals to his favorites and those who enjoy his special confidence. A very dangerous elf is "phooka," who appears in the form of a black cat, and occasionally in that of a crow or eagle, and entices people over precipices or into swamps and morasses. In Scotland, the "browsie" answers to the "banshee" in Ireland, and the "kelpy" is identical with the Irish "phooka."

The belief in various kinds of faries was quite common in England till within a short time. The appearance of what are still known as "fairie rings" in the grass served to keep up the belief in their mysterious origin. It was not till their origin was explained by science that the belief in fairies began to die out among the simple people of secluded districts. It is likely that many people in England still believe in fairies, though they hesitate to speak of them to educated people.

Rufus Choate, Advocate.

[W. W. Story's "Recollections."]

His personal appearance was remarkable. I think no one could come into his presence without being impressed by it. His broad, massive forehead was crowned with a dark mass of richly curling, fine, and almost turbulent hair, through which he constantly passed his hand, and beneath his overhanging brow were dark, deeply-sunken, and somewhat weary eyes of serious intent and expression, framed in dark circles. His nose was rather large, his upper lip short; and his under lip, projecting somewhat beyond, he constantly thrust out as if to grasp and hold it firm; while a strong jaw closed and locked up, as it were, the whole face with a purpose and power. His cheeks were gaunt and hollow, as if worn by study. Indeed, the whole face was that of a thinker and student, which long hours of labor by day and night had made haggard. There was seriousness, gravity, and a certain pathos of character and sadness of experience in its repose. In its lighter moods it was illuminated by genial gleams of humor and summer lightning of feeling, and in moments of excitement it glowed and radiated with inward fire like a forge when the bellows are in blast. His frame was large, well knit, and nervous. His ordinary gait in walking, as I remember him, was inclined to be slouching, as of a person engaged in introverted thought; and in sitting he was sunken and overweighted, as it were, into himself. When speaking in public he was full of action and nervous gesticulation. He swayed backward and forward, advancing and retreating, emphasized by coming sharply down on his heels, now bending down and now lifting himself to his full and commanding height, and enforcing his utterances with a sharp, impulsive, upward gesture.

Puck's Funny Man.

[Chicago Times.]

The editor-in-chief of Puck is H. C. Bunner, a clerical-looking young man with side-whiskers and double glasses, who is certainly under 30 years of age. He is a frequent contributor to The Century and other magazines, and has been a reporter on a New York daily. B. B. Valentine is the associate editor. He is an Englishman and about 40 years of age. The "Fitznoodle" papers are his work, and one of his joyful duties is to read through the poetical effusions sent to the office. The third man is R. A. Munkittrick, professional poet, who is perhaps the best man on the Puck staff. He and Bunner turn out an enormous amount of verse between them. Valentine never wrote a line of poetry in his life. Munkittrick is only half through his second score of years, and recently married a lady with a handsome fortune.

A Little Latin Explained.

[Paris Beacon.]

"Well, my dear," said Deacon Jones, as he turned his paper, "did you see this obituary notice of Elder Smith's death?"

"I glanced over it a minute, but didn't examine it minutely," said the deacon's wife. "What is there about it that strikes you?"

"Why do they put this Latin or Choctaw in an obituary notice?"

"I didn't see anything of that kind. What is it, my dear?"

"Why it closes with 'Requiescat in pace.' Now, what in Sam Hill does that mean?"

"P haw! that's easy, old man. It means that he required his cat to pace."

"Oh! so it does, so it does," said the old man. "How easily one can be mistaken! I thought 'Requiescat in pace' was the brand of the liquor that killed him."

Some Simple Cyclone Stories.

[Hawkinsville (Ga.) News.]

One fellow was from Wilcox and the other resides in this county. The Wilcox man said:

"After our big cyclone, a year or two ago, a large number of birds and chickens were found from which every feather had been stripped by the terrible wind, in fact they were picked as slick as an onion, but the fowls were still alive and kicking."

"O, that's nothing," exclaimed the Pulaski man. "One of my neighbors had his well blown so crooked by the same cyclone that he has not been able to get a bucket down into it since, and he was compelled to dig another well."

At this point the meeting adjourned.

How an Artist Paints.

[Exchange.]

Duran, the artist, never permits what is styled a sitting while he is painting a portrait. He obliges his models to chat, laugh, walk, read, or write; in short, he compels them to be and feel at home, and while he sees them quite in their homespun expression and off their guard, he paints in rapidly and boldly the happiest outline that his own intellect can see or his imagination picture.

Henry Ward Beecher: The man who lives for himself will have the privilege of being his own mourner when he dies.

Bougeart: A happy just often gives birth to another; but the child is seldom worth the mother.

LOGGING DOWN EAST.

How Things Are Done by New Hampshire Lumbermen.

Passage of the Falls—A Most Exciting Scene—Dangers of a "Jam"—The Typical River-Driver.

[Lumbermen's Gazette.]

The lumber industry of New Hampshire, particularly in the region around Plymouth, is a very important one, and yet one of which few people have any adequate idea. The product reaches into millions of feet, and, while the ax of the lumbermen is wielded without stint, the effect is comparatively little noticed in the forests that cover the mountains. Away up the Pemigewasset valley among the foothills of the Franconia range, stand immense forests, into which each winter enter gangs of lumbermen. A rude shanty is erected, in which the men eat and bunk, and large quantities of salt pork and salt beef, flour, and molasses carted in, a cook procured and the winter campaign is inaugurated. The life of the men in these camps is a most monotonous one, chopping steadily through the day, with the exception of a brief rest for dinner and a smoke. After supper all gather about the cook's fire to relate stories or listen to the soulful harmony drawn from a two-dollar-and-a half fiddle, and shortly afterward they climb the ladder to their bunks in the loft.

The timber on hand is drawn to the banks of the Pemigewasset, where it lies until the breaking up of the ice in the spring. With the first rise of water the logs are rolled in and the journey for Lowell begun. Much depends on the start, and it is very important that the river should be just the right pitch. If too low, the logs strike on some rock, and a "jam" results, which is only broken at the expense of much time and labor, and of the cutting of quite an amount of timber. If too high, when the banks are reached the logs are distributed over the submerged lands, when they must be hauled by team back to the river. On account of the great number of rocks impeding the passage, the tortuous windings of the stream, and the many rapids and falls, it is impossible to form the logs into rafts as on the western rivers, but each individual log must take its own individual way, by many devious wanderings, to the saw mills at Lowell. There are many places in the river which are much dreaded by the drivers, chief among them being Livermore falls, about two miles from Plymouth, and Bristol falls, a reunion of rapids about five miles in length, on which nearly every year some poor fellow misses his footing while trying to start a log caught by some projecting rock, and the boiling waters quickly carry him out of sight forever. Then there are the falls at Franklin, and Amoskeag at Manchester.

The passage of the drive over the Livermore falls is one of the most exciting scenes imaginable, and is annually witnessed by great numbers of people. The water comes rushing through a narrow, rocky chute, whirls around a projecting ledge, and plunges over into a seething whirlpool. Down this comes rushing the timber with terrible impetuosity, whirling over the falls. Immense logs are caught in the whirlpool and sometimes thrown completely on end. Often a long stick of timber catches on either side, other logs quickly are thrown upon it, and in an instant a formidable jam is formed. Several yokes of cattle are always kept in waiting, with immense tackle, and the coolest-headed driver is sent over the tumbling waters, where a misstep means instant death, the rope fastened to some principal log in the jam and an attempt made to draw it out. Sometimes one log can be taken out and the whole jam released, but more often the entire mass starts slightly, only to settle again more solidly, and the operation has to be repeated. Occasionally a driver is sent out to cut in two the logs which hold the jam. This is a dangerous proceeding, as the starting of the logs may throw him under the whole mass. The scenes at Livermore are repeated at every fall on the Pemigewasset. Every bridge pier, every projecting rock, and every ridge of sand seems waiting to catch the logs as they come on, and to invite the formation of a jam.

The typical river driver is to New Hampshire what the cowboy is to the west—a creature of unbounded profanity and shirt collar, bold, reckless and dare-devil to the last degree. Yet among the number are many who are far above the average of such laborers; farmers' sons who go down the river for the sake of the $1 or $2 per day, which is more than they can earn at home at this period of the year. The life is a hard one. The men can never sleep in a house during the trip, but two camps, the "front" and the "rear," move with the drive—here to-day and further on to-morrow.

The camp consists of a large cook's tent, several "A tents" in which, on a few inches of straw, the men take their rest. At daylight the men are called to breakfast, after which they go immediately to the river. In the middle of the forenoon a lunch is carried to them, and another at 4 p. m. Supper follows at dark, previous to "turning in." The bill of fare is not extensive, but is one well adapted to the mode of life. Coffee, fried pork, boiled corned beef, ginger bread and biscuit, cooked in old-fashioned tin ovens before an open fire, and baked beans, cooked in the ground, are the usual dishes. Good cooks are always employed, and the men are never stinted. An immense wagon follows the drive, always filled and covered with a heterogeneous collection of pike-poles and overcoats, tents, coffee-pots, etc. The trip usually consumes from two to three months. The drivers, cooks, waiters, etc., comprise a force of about sixty men, with a pay-roll of over $100 a day. It has been generally supposed that with the building of the Pemigewasset Valley railroad into the lumber country the drive would cease, but such does not seem to be the case. The booms at Lowell are filled with logs, and the extensive mills will be actively employed this season in converting the timber into commercial shapes of lumber, while the furniture manufactories have already experienced a business boom that will not be materially decreased until late in the year, the contract for wares being unusually large.

Difference Between Printing and Publishing.

[Rebobath Sunday Herald.]

An editor thus explained to a young lady the difference between printing a book and publishing one for her: "If I should print a kiss on a beautiful young lady's cheek it would be printing, but if I were to tell the whole world about it that would be publishing."

A northern Texas editor complains that the number of marriages is ridiculously small when compared with the time squandered in buggy riding.

Foggy London, an English magazine fears, will, in a few years, become "a grimmy Chicago or a stuffy New York."

He Did the Best He Could.

[Philadelphia Call.]

An Irish laborer was recently killed on the railroad, and one of his fellow-workmen was deputed to break the news to his wife.

"Break it gently to her, Dennis, poor sowl," he was instructed. "Lead up to it by degrees, and not be too sudden like."

"Is this Mrs. McFadden?" asked Dennis, who was frightened at the task before him, of the woman who opened the door.

"It is. Phat do yo want?"

"Is Misther McFadden in?"

"He is not. He is beyant on the railroad, wurrking for 90 cents a day."

"It's a foine day, Mrs. McFadden. Would yo moind givin' me a tashter of wather? Thank ye, tast ess to the stuff. It's a foine day, Mrs. McFadden."

"Yis, it's a foine day. Phat would ye be after doing wid Misther McFadden?"

"I want to say him on some private business. Will I be home this ar'nin', do ye think?"

"He will."

"Misther McFadden is a very decent man, and shure he has a foine-looking wolfe. Yez of Girlsh descint, av course?"

"Yis; me grandfather was an O'Tourke, and me father was the best man that ever left ould Oireland."

"I think O'll wait for Misther McFadden. I want to spake to him at wanct when he comes home."

"Poor crathur," continued Dennis as he seated himself, "O'm the mon to break the news gintly to her, but it's hard wurrk. There they come now with all that is left of poor Misther McFadden. O! say, Mrs. McFadden," exclaimed Dennis, "they're bringin' yer husband to yez! A train ran over him and killed him."

And with the tears standing in his eyes Dennis said: "Bygs, I broke the news gintly, poor sowl."

Did Not Like a Coward.

[Kentucky State Journal.]

"Liza, why didn't yer let Bill Thompson take yer home from the ballin' night?"

"Kase, Moll, he done gone and showed he'sef a coward, that's why."

"An' how did he do dat, Liza?"

"Why, he had two razors in his pockets, and I says dat enny feller what carries more'n one razor to a ball wid him am a coward and ain't no gen'leman, I does."

"Guess you's about right, Liza."

President Polk's Widow.

[Nashville Banner.]

Right in the heart of Nashville stands a large, old-fashioned homestead of dull red brick, its roof projecting over the broad piazza, supported by great fluted pillars, and its general aspect conveying an impression of severe statliness, in pleasing variance with the distorted, would-be fashionable architecture in the same neighborhood. A long lawn stretches in front of the house, and its pleasant green monotony is unbroken save by a plain and massive tomb of white marble, which carries its own best epitaph in the simple inscription, James K. Polk.

A ring at the bell brought to the door a good-natured colored girl, who took our cards to the venerable and venerated widow of President Polk.

Time, of course, has stolen the vivid coloring and curved outlines of youth, but he has not robbed her of the upright figure and dignified carriage, and has left brightness in her eyes and vivacity in her voice, beside lending an added charm in her faultless manners.

From the library of the dead president, she can gaze upon the tomb that marks his resting place, and in that same library remains his hat, gloves and cane, just where he laid them when he came home for the last time. The book he was reading lies open on the table, and the papers of the day beside it.

In society, and fond of it, Mrs. Polk has yet never accepted an invitation since her husband's death, though with graceful hospitality and tact she has received on the first day of each year the Tennessee legislature, which adjourns in a body to call upon her—and when I am told, is the highest compliment ever paid by state authorities to a lady—and the civil, judicial and ecclesiastical bodies make it a point to pay their respects

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FOR PORT TOWNSEND and all points on the Sound—The Olympian and North Pacific leave alternate mornings at 1 o'clock, making close connection with the N. P. R. R. at Tacoma.

FOR NANAIMO—The R. P. Rithet leaves Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 a. m., returning on the alternate days.

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FOR NEW WESTMINSTER AND PORT HAMMOND—The Yosemite leaves Monday, Wednesday, Friday, at 7 a. m.

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FOR THE NORTH—Barbara Boscowitz sails to-morrow at 4 p. m.

Amusements To-Night

AT PHILHARMONIC HALL—The Bandmann—Bandet Company in "Merchant of Venice."

THE LATE CALAMITY.

Wise provisions, adopted for the protection of human life and property where there may be danger of death or destruction from any cause, is one of the first duties of an intelligent and good government towards the people who have placed it in power. Yet, notwithstanding the fact that good laws may be framed and seemingly while the utmost care in their administration may be used, accidents will occur and are constantly taking place. The causes that produce accidents are as various as the kinds which are constantly happening. Many of them are as unaccountable as they are unforseen, and often also, unavoidable. There are many however, such as occur on railroads, and by steamboat explosions, shipwrecks, and such great calamities as the terrible catastrophe which so recently cast its gloom over this whole community, and which sent twenty-three fellow beings into eternity without a moment's warning, resulting from causes which may be traced to incompetence, lack of moral responsibility, over-confidence from frequent and close contact with danger, or indifference where there is risk to the lives of others. The evidence before the coroner's jury, taken this week at Wellington, developed the existence among miners of an extraordinary degree of over-confidence, which is something marvelous to contemplate. These hardy and daring sons of toil, to a greater or lesser extent, are continually running risks. In fact, they may be said to be constantly carrying their lives in their hands.

The mine in question was under the supervision of men who were considered competent for the various duties they were called upon to perform in the separate branches of their vocation. They had fulfilled them during the past, and as the Government Inspector said on the witness stand, in reference to his last visit to the mine, before the calamity referred to that the management then was excellent, and no mine was ever in better working condition. The last visit he had made to it, he said, was on the 18th of April, or nearly two and a half months ago. In the meantime no complaints had been made to him by anybody. The miners themselves, whose duty it is to lodge such with him, if any cause whatever existed, had not done so. He therefore had no reason, he said, to change his mind in regard to the property, either in its management or in the character of its workings. There seems to be a false delicacy existing amongst men concerning the making of complaints, even in the event of cause. In fact, they seemingly grow hardened to danger, and careless of the consequences. Mr. Dick, Government Inspector, said that from what he saw after the explosion, no fault could be found with the timbering, and no reason could be given for the accumulation of gas." He was satisfied the fireman had that morning visited and marked the face of the stall where Frear went to work, and the fan, which is used for ventilation purposes, supplied ample air. All this Mr. Dick stated he believed to be true.

There is a wide difference of opinion as to where the safety lamp may be used, whether simply as a precautionary measure with a naked lamp or in case of real danger, when it must be used without the other. On this question the laws should be so stringent and explicit as to leave no room for doubt. Custom, however, as in this case, seems to have established rules of its own. Knox, the fireman, had been in the habit of giving Frear a safety lamp, as a precautionary measure, whenever gas had appeared in his stall, and he said he always cautioned him while giving it. Frear, the unfortunate victim of over-confidence, it is thought, had gone too far without removing his naked lamp before examining his work with the safety lamp.

The frightful catastrophe occurred and leaves the true cause a matter of grave conjecture.

THE GOVERNMENT INSPECTOR.

From developments that were made during the inquest just concluded on the men who lost their lives at the Wellington mine, the position of Government Inspector of mines is simply a sinecure. Mr. Dick showed that for two and a half months he had not been in the mine where the disaster occurred. He seems never to have taken the pains until the time he was on the witness stand to ascertain anything about the usages of the mine. It certainly looked out of place for him there to ask the questions he did ask. He should have made himself acquainted with everything connected with the lamps used, and the risks the men were in the habit of taking, during some of his official visits to the mine. Otherwise, what was the use of his visits at all. His position, under the circumstances, seems to be one of those places filled in order that a salary might be paid some one for doing nothing. The miners never made a complaint, he says, and he never saw anything wrong. He should have been better posted than he seemed to be, else the sooner the office is discontinued the better. Or, rather, the sooner the law compels an inspector to enquire more fully into everything relating to a mine the safer will lives and property become in mines.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Cleveland Nominated To-Day for President

BY DEMOCRATS AT CHICAGO.

Germany to Aid China—U. S. Mongols Contributing Money—Passengers by the Queen—Pacific Coast Notes.

MORE DEATHS BY CHOLERA.

GERMANY AND CHINA AGAINST FRANCE.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11. Bearing on the dispatch from Paris last night that war between France and China was believed to be inevitable, the Call this morning publishes a long article on information previously received from high and reliable sources, confirming the statement. It also publishes a letter from Tso Tsung Tang, Military Grand Secretary, dated Tientsen, May 28, 1884, addressed to a wealthy and influential Chinaman of this city, announcing a determination to combat the French, and ordering that a tax be levied on all Chinese here and at Denver, New York and elsewhere in the United States, for the purpose of providing funds for the Imperial Treasury. For this object a half million dollars was raised in this way and sent to China on July 1st, on the steamer Tokio, and a like amount will be forwarded by the next steamer. another letter was received by Tong King Sun, president of the Chinese Steam Navigation Co., and referring to previous ones it says: A treaty was made in December, 1883, between Germany and China, whereby the former will support the latter in a war with France. In return Germany is to exercise sovereignty over the Island of Formosa, and to construct naval military stations at different points for the Chinese government. China will refuse payment of the two hundred and fifty millions indemnity to France. A private dispatch yesterday announces that a rebellion against the Tartar dynasty has broken out at Shoo Shing Foo and that the rebels are in possession of the city.

CHINA TO PAY OR FIGHT.

PARIS, July 11.—Republique denies that Admiral Corbet occupied a town on the coast of China. The demand of France for payment of indemnity nached pate norte at Shanghai yesterday and forwarded to Pekin where it will be handed to Tsing Li Yoeman to-day. France has given China one week to answer, and in event of an unsatisfactory reply, will immediately seize a Chinese port preparatory to an aggressive naval movement.

MORE DEATHS FROM CHOLERA.

MARSEILLES, July 11.—Nineteen deaths last evening and twelve between 9 o'clock and noon to-day.

TOULON, July 11.—Three more deaths from cholera occurred last evening at Paris. It is reported that cholera at Anteville, a suburb of Paris, is a case of the genuine Asiatic.

CHOLERA ABOARD SHIP.

LONDON, July 11.—Ship Cathagene, with two cases of cholera from Marseilles for Cardiff, has been sighted off Lundy Island.

THE FRENCH FETE DAY.

PARIS, July 11.—The Municipal Council have decided not to postpone the national fete day, which occurs July 14th.

MAUD S.'S LATEST SPURT.

CLEVELAND, July 11.—In exercising this afternoon, Maud S. trotted a mile in 2:12½.

WAR INEVITABLE.

PARIS, July 10.—War between France and China is considered inevitable.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION DOINGS.

BULLETIN AT CHICAGO, July 11.—It seems to be pretty generally believed that Cleveland will be nominated. It is intimated that if he is not successful after a few ballots, an effort will be made to turn the convention towards Hendricks, Cleveland's friends claim he will be nominated on the third ballot.

LATER—10:20 a. m.—Hendricks just entered and was received with tremendous cheering.

11:26 a. m.—Illinois cast one vote for Hendricks. Great cheering. The cheering continued for ten minutes. It was learned that the Pennsylvania delegation, as soon as order was restored, would ask leave to retire for consultation. When Illinois was reached, and one vote for Hendricks announced, a scene of unprecedented enthusiasm occurred which would indicate a movement towards Indiana. A large number of delegates, headed by John Kelley and Tammany, arose to their feet and are still cheering, which has already continued five minutes. General Mansur, of Missouri, reached the chairman during the uproar and announced that Missouri wanted to cast her vote for Hendricks. Consultation is still going on at the chairman's desk. It is said that Hendricks and Bayard will be the ticket.

CLEVELAND FINALLY NOMINATED.

CHICAGO, July 11.—2:08 p. m.: The second ballot stood: Cleveland, 475; Hendricks, 124½; Bayard, 100½; Thurman, 60; Randall, 50; McDonald, 2; Tilden, 2. There is great cheering, bands playing and waving of hand-kerchiefs. Cleveland is nominated on this ballot. Guns are being fired on outside. Hendricks has requested that the nomination of Cleveland be made unanimous.

OFFICIAL RETURNS OF THE BALLOT.

CHICAGO, July 11.—The official returns on the second ballot were: Cleveland, 683; Bayard, 81; Hendricks, 45½; Thurman, 4; McDonald, 2; Randall, 4. The nomination of Cleveland was made unanimous at 1:17 p. m.

CLEVELAND NOMINATED FOR PRESIDENT.

CHICAGO, July 11.—12:35 p. m.—Cleveland was nominated on the second ballot.

CLEVELAND'S NOMINATION COLDLY RECEIVED.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11.—The announcement of Cleveland's nomination is received coldly.

CALIFORNIA FOR THURMAN.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11.—The following dispatch has been sent from here to the California delegation in Chicago: To Hon. Dennis Spencer, Chairman of the California delegation at Chicago, Ill.—Stand firm for Thurman. The state committee is in session and sends greeting, and promises, if he is nominated, 20,000 majority. There is no change in the sentiment here.

NEW TO-DAY.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Knox the Colliery Fireman Refused Bail.

A RECENT MAIL CONTRACT.

Meeting of Orangemen—The Boscowitz—Off for Alaska—The Mexico Passengers—Marine.

AN AFFLICTED TOURIST.

At the End of the Track.

The Calgary Herald, which arrived here last night, has the following late and interesting news concerning progress of work on the Canadian Pacific road at the western end: Work is progressing on the C. P. railway as far west as Kicking Horse lake. Mr. D. Mann and Mr. Madigan have contracts close together. Men are in great demand at $2 per day, and, by working overtime, can make $2.50; board is $5 per week. Mr. Muir, who was a contractor on the Northern Pacific, is now engaged on his contract at the tunnel and is doing well. The timber here is larger than further east, and the scenery at the lake singularly grand; the water is still very high. The public are gratified now that the C. P. railway make no objection to persons following the track. Mr. F. P. Brothers, who is so well-known for his energy and push in railway matters, has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of the division west of Laggan. Mr. J. W. Costello is taking accident risks for the Citizens' Insurance Company of Montreal, a well-known and reliable company.

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Nothing makes more apparent the culture and refinement of the young men of this city than there love for music, as evidenced by their two splendid brass bands. They are composed entirely of local talent, selected from the young men of Victoria, and are thoroughly equipped with fine instruments, and the respective members are artists in the use of them. One of these, the Victoria Amateur Brass Band, was organized over two years ago, by Professor Lerond, a well-known musician, now of San Francisco, who generously taught them the use of their instruments gratuitously, and to such purpose that in three months they reached a reasonable degree of proficiency. Since then they have been practicing constantly, and with such marked improvement that the most critical musicians give them praise. They practice at the Hook and Ladder Co.'s headquarters, and sometimes give an open air concert to our citizens. They will soon have suitable uniforms. Mr. Kelly is their present leader, and Professor Ferdher is teacher.

A Recent Mail Contract.

About two months ago an offer was made to the Dominion Government by a local "ship owner" to convey daily mails between this port and Port Townsend for the sum of $8500 annually. It is also understood that the present contractors agreed to perform the service for $15,000. News was received yesterday that the service had been awarded to other parties for $8000. Diplomatic action is nearly always open to conjecture, and in this case particularly so; for, as all the bids were made privately, it would seem as if the government used the first offer as a bait to secure a cheap service, and completely ignored the fact that but for the first offer the country would have paid nearly double the amount of money now being paid. Small, venal transactions of this nature destroy public confidence in the integrity of the Canadian Government.

Might Have Been Badly Left.

J. H. Page, a mechanic from one of the Sound towns, aboard the Mexico which arrived at the outer harbor early this morning, came ashore and speedily got so full of refractory whisky that he could not go a step further, and was taken in by the police. His trunk was aboard the steamer, and he had a through ticket for San Francisco, so the police after keeping him locked up until a few moments before the steamer sailed, got an express wagon, conveyed him to the wharf, and putting him aboard started him on his journey in a semi-unconscious state.

Fireman Knox Refused Bail.

Mr. R. Dunsmuir received a telegram from Nanaimo to-day that Knox, the fireman, had a hearing yesterday afternoon before two magistrates, and they refused to allow him bail, although Mr. Dunsmuir had telegraphed from Cowichan offering bail in any amount. The Constable asked that he be remanded till Tuesday, which was granted.

Officers Installed.

The following officers of Dominion Lodge No. 4, of the I. O. O. F., were installed last night: Thomas Bamford, Noble Grand; William Ross, Vice Grand; F. F. Sherborne, Recording Secretary; W. Walker, Treasurer; Orlander Werner, Conductor; J. E. Cridge, O. G.; E. Kermode, I. G.; Wm. Boddy, R. S. N. G.; John Greden, R. S. V. G.; Digby Palmer, Organist.

Police Court.

In Police Court this morning, Frank Wingart and Robert Donelson were found guilty of being drunk, and were fined five shillings and costs. J. H. Page, on same charge, was unable to appear, and his case was therefore remanded until to-morrow.

Orangeman's Day.

To-morrow being the 12th of July, Orangeman's day, it will be celebrated in a great many eastern towns and cities. It is reported that the city lodge of Orangemen here will have a grand dinner to-morrow night.

The Barbara Boscowitz.

The steamer Barbara Boscowitz, Capt. J. Williams, starts on her next trip to Naas river and way ports at 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. She is in good trim, as usual, and will take quite a large quantity of freight, and doubtless a good many passengers.

A Lumber Item.

Schooner Eliza, Captain Middleton, has just finished discharging at the outer wharf a cargo of 76,000 feet of lumber from Hasting's mill, Burrard Inlet, consigned to Welch, Rithet & Co.

Victoria Beef and Fish.

The steamer Mexico, which arrived here from Seattle and remained some hours at the wharf before sailing, took aboard a large quantity of Victoria beef, fish and vegetables.

No malady so dangerous but it can be reached and rapidly overcome by using Peruvian Bitters.

ALBERNI.

A Section of British Columbia Now Attracting Unusual Attention.

Situated at the head of Barclay Sound, a magnificent deep salt water inlet, lies a country destined at some future date to become a populous and important section, and possibly, for many reasons, the most valuable on Vancouver Island, with the exception of a stretch of flat and rolling country lying between Bamfield Creek and Pachena Bay, and Sarita Valley, which lies north of Roett Heights. There is but little land available for agricultural purposes, and a great deal of that referred to is in many places covered with a thick growth of hemlock, which is difficult to clear, but the mountains which rise with heavy heads on either side of the Inlet have a mineral value which compensate for the loss of fillable soil. For a distance of forty-five miles this

BEAUTIFUL WATER WAY

Trends its course between the mountains and furnishes one of the grandest and most picturesque views on the Island. But the view is only complete, when arriving at the Second Narrows and the panoramic basin of Alberni slowly unfolds its primitive beauty to the eye of the observer. There vessels of any size can safely ride at anchor at a depth of from five to eleven fathoms, and from their decks can be seen the green grass of the delta land, with the variegated foliage of alder, spruce and fir forming the background of this most delightful scene. Warm sandy beaches of snowy whiteness add their allurements to the scene and bespeak a future untold. The rivers Sumass and Kutsuk empty their silent volumes of water at the head of the harbor, and offer a feast to the angler which is scarcely to be met with elsewhere. The chimney of the old saw mill still stands as a relic of past enterprise and seems to invite fresh enery to restore it to its former useful state. The farm house of the company, with numerous other buildings, still stand the test of time and speak well for the lasting qualities of British Columbia pine. On the opposite side of the river

STANDS THE RANCHAREE,

Speaking only of past glories, for nearly all the old tribes are gone to their imperishable hunting grounds. And at a short distance from there, on adjoining sections of land, are the residences of Clarke and Merrifield, the former having resided there for years with his family, the latter waiting for a liberal immigration system to provide him with a partner in his declining years. Mr. Geo. Taylor, an old employee of the mill company, still resides there and being a Scotchman with the characteristics of his countrymen, if you gain his friendship it is abiding. From Alberni via the north end of lakes and along the southerly base of the central range, the valley extends to Bedford valley and Comox of a variable character, alternating swamp, alder and fir, but chiefly bottom land awaiting the hardy settler and partial assistance from Government to open trails and roads for the furtherance of settlement. Go out west and see Alberni.

PERSONAL.

Robert T. Wires, business manager for Cole's circus, arrived in the city yesterday and will remain for some days. He is at the Occidental.

Mrs. Watkins and several children, who have been visiting in this city for the past ten days, returned to their home in New Westminster this morning.

Thomas D. Merrill, a prominent lumberman of Saginaw, Mich., who has been over on the east coast for the past week or two, while in search of good timber lands, returned this morning.

Geo. P. Holman, the well-known business man of Portland, arrived here last night accompanied by his wife.

Bradford Wheeler, San Francisco, and J. Rooney, of Toronto, are at the Driard.

Mr. H. C. Eckenberger, agent of the Blue Line fast freight, accompanied by Geo. Horridge and wife, and Master Herman Rock, of Vinton, Iowa, arrived last night and left on the Olympian for Portland this morning.

Albert Wilkinski representing the famous "Kicker cigar," is at the Driard.

A. J. McCall, of the law firm of Corbold & McCall, New Westminster, arrived from the south last evening accompanied by his bride. They are now at the Driard.

D. E. Bandmann, the tragedian, Miss Vera Vernay and Miss Mary Breyer, are guests of the Oriental.

P. Moeller, Nova Scotia, and J. N. Russell and D. T. Riegols, of San Francisco, are in the city.

VICTORIA MARINE MATTERS.

Steamer Bonita, which brought Alaska freight from Portland for the Ancon, has gone to Departure Bay for coal.

The steamer Alexander was not hauled out on Cook's ways, as reported. After taking her around it was found that the water was so low that it was impossible to get her up. Another attempt will probably be made about the 17th of the month, when there will be higher tides.

Victorians Bound for Frisco.

The steamer Mexico, Capt. Huntingdon, which left July 2nd for the Sound, arrived here this morning at 6 o'clock. Besides making her regular Sound trip she had been to Nanaimo and took on 1100 tons of coal for San Francisco. At noon to-day she sailed for the later place with the following passengers:

Alex Dunsmuir, Frank Davis and wife, Frank Semmen, John A Black, N Richard, Mrs E W Davy, Mrs J A Webster, R W Dean, Wm Grant, Geo Davidson, George Wright, M Nelson, Mrs E Roper, John Boyle and wife, and J A Webster.

Incoming Passengers.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11.—The following passengers are aboard of the Queen of the Pacific, which yesterday sailed for Victoria: Miss H Cornwall, Miss A Cornwall, Miss J Alexander, Miss Scott, A W Smith and wife, Mr Stanton, Mary Collins, E A Roberts, R Baldwin, C J Wilson, C P Miller, Miss E Cornwall, Mrs Caughtrey, W Alexander and wife, C Williams and wife, Rev James Neri, C Davie and wife, Mary McCarthy, Miss P Rumely, Mrs R Baldwin and two daughters, W B Cummings.

Kamloops' New Paper.

Mr. M. Hagan, editor of the Island Sentinel, it is stated by an exchange, succeeded in reaching the new town of Kamloops on Sunday morning last with the material for the proposed weekly journal. He will have the material in position and the new paper off within a week or two. Kamloops will in all probability prove a good field.

Tickets for Cole's Circus.

Tickets and reserved seat checks for W. W. Cole's Great Show can be bought on exhibition days, at a slight advance above regular rate, to defray expense, at T. N. Hibben & Co.

THE ANCON'S ALASKA SUPPLIES.

The Steamer's Departure for the "Land of the Midnight Sun."

The steamer Ancon, which sailed from Victoria wharf at 11 a. m. to-day with a joyous throng of tourists from various sections of the United States and British Columbia, started on her long cruize to Alaska icebergs and snows well laden with all sorts of necessary provisions. For the consumption of her own passengers she took something over 5000 pounds of beef, mutton and pork, obtained from Van Valkenburg, and three or four tons of "ordered meat," as it is called, that is, meat for ships at the Alaska ports, traders, fishermen, etc. She also took five live fat cattle and eight fat sheep, which will be brought to the shambles long before the return of the Ancon. But this is not the entire meat supply even. George Vienna furnished the steamer a large quantity of fine fish, while several other shops and stores contributed liberally in various ways. The steamer Bonita had met her at Port Townsend and gave the Ancon 280 tons of freight, while in all the latter had a miscellaneous cargo of supplies of about 500 tons. Evidently the Ancon people

DO NOT INTEND TO STARVE.

They were well rigged out also with rods, guns, sketching material, painting outfits, ulster and rubber coats, boots and all the paraphernalia requisite for a trip to the "Land of the Midnight Sun." The ladies, like the sterner sex, were plentifully supplied with everything that would lend comfort or convenience. Every whim seemed to be gratified. Numbered with the party were several of the prominent money kings of Oregon and California, and not a few who had dabbled in letters. They were a lively lot as they moved off from the wharf, and when Capt. Carroll set sail and pulled away, a loud cheer arose on the air and handkerchiefs were to be seen floating everywhere.

It is expected that their trip will take about sixteen days. Captain Carroll and Purser Downing, as well as other officers, have made every preparation for making the tourists as comfortable as possible during the trip. The following are among the passengers: Wm. Ladd and party of five, Mrs. J. L. Bancord, D. Willard, Misses Rodneys, L. Felix and wife, Miss Seidmon, Miss Wand, Miss Dickerson, Dr. Rodgers and party of three, Mrs. Brown and son, J. McCofferty, Mr. Bond and party of five, Miss Redfield, R. T. Adams, D. Martin, J. N. and Miss Collamon, W. P. Mills, John Zachert, G. E. Chisholm, Misses Tibbals, Miss Murphy, Miss McCracken.

About "Kickers."

Most things that kick are not appreciated. At least what are known as "chronic kickers" are supposed to have few friends. Their may be exceptions to this rule, however, and doubtless are. A very peculiar name which has been going the rounds for some time, is that applied to a peculiar cigar. Strange to say also, considering the fine material from which it is made, and the universal satisfaction it gives to captious smokers it is called the "Kicker." This fragrant brand of the seductive weed is manufactured at San Francisco by Wilzinski brothers. It will be remembered that for some years past two young men of this name have been visiting Victoria, and surrounding points to sell goods. Well, these are the very same brothers who are, and for some time past, have been manufacturing this cigar. It is made of unusually good goods, to use the language of commercial travellers, and is finding an immense sale. Nearly everybody now knows something of the "Kicker." He has heard of this cigar in some way. There arrived here last night Albert Wilzinski, one of this enterprising firm who is visiting Victoria, and will call upon business firms, and place his goods before them. He is a good man to meet, urbane and popular wherever he goes. Have a kind of an eye out for him, and a smile when he comes. He's a good man to know, and to deal with.

The Bandman-Beaudet Company.

Last night Bandman and company appeared in "Hamlet" at Philharmonic Hall. The audience was not as large as was generally expected, owing perhaps to the fact that there have been so many theatrical entertainments in Victoria lately that they have become common. Such acting as was witnessed, however, in "Hamlet" by the said company is not common. Bandman as Hamlet showed a high degree of natural ability, and that perfection which only comes after long practice. He is the personification of grace on the stage, and there are points in his renditions truly grand and sublime. Miss Louise Beaudet as "Ophelia" in the various acts, shows the born actress. When made from the effects of despised love the fine frenzy which comes upon her is all but real. "Polonious," by J. W. DeLano; "Laretes," by J. E. Kellard; "Ghost" and "King" by J. D. Lindsay, and queen by Miss Vera Vema, were all instances of good acting. The support is much beyond the average. The company will not play here for six nights, as was first advertised, but will play four only, and, therefore, those who can would do well to hear them, as soon as possible. To-night the thrilling drama, the "Merchant of Venice," will be presented.

HUDSON BAY COMPANY.

Prices of Victoria and Esquimalt Lands and Lots.

A general court of the Hudson Bay Company was held at the City Terminus Hotel, London, Eng., on the 1st of June, at which the annual report was presented. Amongst other matters mentioned, we find the following in reference to this city and province:

"The rapid and steady progress made in the works of the Canadian Pacific railway in British Columbia, and the recent action of the Dominion Government in securing the construction of a line of railway from Nanaimo to Esquimalt, in Vancouver's Island, have brought the value and advantages of the landed estate of the company west of the Rocky Mountains into notice. The governor and committee have availed themselves of the demand which has arisen, and continuing their policy of meeting the market, have disposed of the following since their last report:

"First—Suburban lots at Victoria, equal to 42 acres, for $35,581. Second—387 acres in British Columbia, at $27.50 per acre, $10,581. Third—Puget's Sound Company's land, at Esquimalt, of which the company are three-fourths owner, their share being equal to $30,000. Total, $76,162, or £15,000."

Mr. Graham, chief commissioner, having resigned, his position has been filled by Mr. Joseph Wriggleby, formerly the trade commissioner, and at one time president of the Haddlesfield Chamber of Commerce.

The complexion of a lady indicates the state of her health; it always improves after using Peruvian bitters.

OUR FREE PARLIAMENT.

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A Protest Against Tariffs.

To the Editor of The Times:

YALE, July 5th, 1884.

I wish to call the attention of the public to the anamolous position of the people here, which has been brought about by the railway contractor. It appears that by some compact the steamboats, which used to come here, are not permitted to come now at all, though they hold the mail contract to deliver the mail by steamers. Thus, the public are compelled to travel and risk their lives on an unfinished railway, conducted in a most reckless and slovenly manner, on which there is no telegraph line to dispatch the arrival and departure of trains, on which the fencing is bad, where it is; and in many places none where it ought to be. Thus cattle are allowed to feed along the track, as any passenger may observe. In many places the track runs over temporary trestles, made of rough logs, and braced by rough poles, spiked upon them. And above this, about ten cents per mile is charged. And as for freight, the railway charges were so high that pack trains and teams are carrying freight from Yale up. So, apparently to prevent that, the freight from Hammond is now raised from $8 to $11 per ton, which they are enabled to do through compact with the C. P. N. Co., while freight from Hammond to Lytton is $43 per ton. In other places the road appears to be dangerously narrow, so that only a small slide from the steep bank may block the road at any moment. Then passengers are compelled to crowd into box cars, ingeniously contrived to hold as many as possible by long, rough seats, placed fore and aft, with iron bars fixed so that passengers are compelled to sit upright and not lean to the right or left. These boxes or cars are ill-ventilated, and consequently dirty and dusty. For the privilege of riding in these boxes we have to pay unprecedentedly high rates. The fare on the road below here is $5.50 to Port Hammond. The above are only a portion of the grievances we have to complain of now, and which we shall have to submit to for a long time, for it is said that the contractor, who is a clever fellow and knows how to make the most of his opportunities, has, through the influence of the solons whom we send to Ottawa, obtained at Ottawa an extension of time to complete the contract. And it would seem so, for apparently the work is no longer pushed forward as it used to be. It is evidently more profitable to take all the time possible. The late attempt of the steamer Amelia to land freight at Hammond, which the railway refused to receive on the same conditions as from another company, proves a compact unfair to the public. Now it is time for the public to enquire and learn what right the contractor has to carry freight or to monopolize the carrying trade, and endanger the lives of passengers by carrying them on an unfinished road. And who gave him that privilege.

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The Daily Times.

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Street-Cars as Missionaries.

[Foreign Letter.]

"When the question of introducing street-cars in India first came up, nearly twenty years ago," said John Stephenson, the famous car-builder, "one of the greatest obstacles to be considered was caste. It was easy to devise a method of separating, within reasonable limits, the various classes, for the cars could be made with two interior compartments, and with seats on top for passengers of inferior classes. But how to collect the fares was the question that puzzled everybody. A Brahmin conductor could not receive coins from the hands of his inferiors, nor could a Brahmin passenger receive change from a conductor of lower caste. There were many other regulations growing out of caste distinctions which threatened to make street-cars a failure in the cities of India. But the cars were sent out, and matters were left largely to adjust themselves. The result is that instead of caste making the street-cars a failure, the street-cars have made caste to a considerable extent a failure. They are now utilized in the principal cities of India very much as they are in New York.

"Besides doing away with caste obstacles to their success, the street-cars have removed many of the restrictions which caste put upon the transaction of business generally in that country. I am told that they have produced a very noticeable change in this respect—that they may be regarded, indeed, as among the chief instruments with which the changed order of things was brought about. Street-cars are a necessity, and whatever stands in the way of their use will be done away with by the people."

When the British government made it impossible to enforce forfeitures and other penalties by reason of the loss or renunciation of caste, a considerable step toward the abolition of caste distinctions was taken. No laws for the government of persons have been more rigid or more speedy in respect to their penalties than were the regulations of caste. In certain provinces of India, when under native rule, it was regarded as justifiable homicide for a man of high caste to strike dead a person of inferior caste who should touch him even by accident. One of the steps toward the present state of things were permitting a Brahmin to engage in pursuits which had been followed only by persons of inferior grade, while still prohibiting persons of low caste from taking upon themselves functions which belonged to those above them in rank.

In the present stage of the decay of caste very embarrassing conditions arise. Not long ago a man of good ability, but of inferior caste, was made a judge. He could sit in judgment upon the acts of Brahmins and even sentence them to imprisonment, but he could not sit at the table with them after quitting the court-room.

California's Worship of Money.

[Helen Bartlett in Pioneer Press.]

"Californians have such big hearts," remarked one who had lived there a score of years, and ought to know. Yet the country is far from perfect, even though it is in many respects a marvel. In the first place, the worship of money, particularly in San Francisco, has reached a formidable pass. If a gentleman descants on the desirability of any young lady he has met in society, he rarely describes her as bright or interesting or intelligent or pretty, but simply as the possessor of so many hundreds of thousands. Every marriageable young woman is distinctly labeled as to her market value. Without a large fortune you are a bigger nobody than you are in New York; and with it you can envy the destinies of the entire state.

It is no great exaggeration to assert that the whole of California is owned by half a dozen frishmen; and, of course, such a condition of affairs conduces neither to the public nor the private weal. Money is always a power, but in California it becomes a god, and character suffers a consequent demoralization. Still, no one should judge a young country severely. There is always any amount of blundering, of crudity, that youth has to go through with. San Francisco has not sowed her wild oats yet. Perhaps, with her exuberance of life and spirits, she never will; but by and by she will sow them more quietly, more decently and in order, as New York or Washington does now, and then the world will ceased to be shocked. Society never troubles itself about any manner of wickedness, if only it is all done under cover, and with a strict regard for the proprieties.

The High Collar Craze.

[Boston Globe.]

"Yes, sir, this high collar craze is assuming rather high proportions," remarked a dealer in gents' furnishing goods to a reporter yesterday. "You see the present style of 1884 is higher than it has ever been before, and the young men seem all collar."

"Where will it end?"

"Well, I declare I do not know. I am looking for an addition by 1890, which will entirely envelop the chin and give a barber no end of trouble when he wants to shave a customer. Then, as one extreme will lead to others, there may be an uprising in 1895, when young men who cannot raise a mustache will be glad to add another inch and take in an upper lip and a pug nose.

"This is a great country, sir, and progress is our motto. I look for still another bull movement in collars when we reach the new century 1900, and we may expect a collar which will take in an entire head and face, with air holes for nose, mouth and eyes. It will be warm and nice in the winter, and will be particularly popular with homely young men.

Beer-Drinking at Munich.

[Foreign Letter.]

We went into a large yard with lines of forms and a shed on one side. It was full of portly shopkeepers, men in uniform, students with their tiny colored caps stuck on three hairs, and lumbering mechanics and porters. Each man possessed himself of a numbered tankard, and handed it, with the money, over the counter in the shed, when it was filled from a mighty barrel with strong "bock" beer, only to be had in perfection in the month of May. As your number was sung out you clutched at your tankard. A new barrel had to be tapped on the average every half-hour. Between each gulp of the cool, brown liquor a slice of raw turnip sprinkled with salt was eaten. That is the correct mode of expressing its flavor from the malt. The raw turnip serves as the olive between the courses at dinner, or black coffee at a smoking seance—it corrects the palate.

The Kind She Wanted.

[La Vie Parisienne.]

A lady entering a circulating library asks for a novel. "I don't know how to tell you exactly the kind I want," she says. "Oh, I think we shall be able to suit you," is the reply. "I mean something lively," exclaims the intending reader; "the sort of book that would not be precisely suitable for the library of a young girl." "Marie," cries the keeper of the bookstore to her assistant, "Novel for a woman of 35."

Most Valuable Whale Ever Caught.

[Norwich (Conn.), Bulletin.]

The big whale caught by the crew of the Lizzie P. Simmons, of New-London, at Cumberland Inlet, turns out to have been more valuable than was at first supposed. Tuesday the exact returns of the sale in Scotland were received by C. A. Williams & Co., the owners of the Simmons, and are as follows: From whalebone, $12,230; oil, $3,490; total, $15,720. This is the largest amount ever realized from a single whale.

CHEYENNE DANCES.

The Strange Scenes Which a Correspondent Witnesses.

Life at Fort Reno, Indian Territory, —The Somewhat Social Kiss Dance—Sun and Medicine Dances.

[Cor. Philadelphia Press.]

Fort Reno is 150 miles from Henrietta, and although the vast expanse of prairies, the villages of prairie dogs, and occasional glimpses of prowling coyotes are diverting for a while, by the time the traveler has sat bolt upright for twenty-four hours, he is willing enough to call a halt.

The evening after my arrival, while taking a moonlight stroll, I heard a faint, monotonous sound, as of someone beating a drum at a distance.

"The Indians are having a dance," exclaimed Mr. Curtis, the fort interpreter; "would you like to go?"

"Certainly," I replied, and a quarter of an hour later we were dashing across the prairie at regular railroad speed. Crossing the Canadian river and passing the Cheyenne agency, we drew up among seventy-five or a hundred Indian tents. From one of these was emanating a prolonged and uproarious noise. The "tepee," or, as it is called in school histories, the "wigwam," is a conical-shaped tent twenty or twenty-five feet in diameter. A white man would feel cramped in a dozen tepees, but a dozen Indians feel lonely in one. The door of the tepee, a hole about the size of a flour-barrel top, is covered by a shreds flap. Lifting aside this novel door, preceded by the interpreter, I entered. A smoldering fire in the center of the floor filled the place with smoke, and it was only by squatting low on the ground that I was able to breathe.

As the guests arrived, enveloped from head to foot in sheets and blankets, the sexes separated, the squaws ranging themselves on one side, the bucks opposite them on the other. The squaws, probably as a courtesy to the sex, were given a bedstead to sit upon, instead of the ground. The first comers sat on the outside edge, until eight had wedged themselves in a row.

A STRANGE CEREMONY.

Eying the row of braves before her, the Indian squaw sees one to her liking, and by touching him on the shoulder, indicates her desire for his company. The buck, being thus invited, arises and stands side by side with the girl, though facing in the opposite direction. Another squaw then joins them, taking a place on the buck's other side, and, like her sister, facing the opposite way. The buck then throws his arms around the necks of his two partners, and in this position they stand, rising up and down on the ball of the foot with a springy motion until one or the other wearies, and the dance ceases. During this whole time the beating of the tom-tom goes furiously on, and all the squaws and bucks not dancing assist the band by yelling at the top of their powerful lungs.

For some time I seemed destined to remain a wall-flower, but at length pity was taken on me and my shoulder was tapped; looking up I saw two twinkling eyes glancing roguishly from the depths of a black blanket, and I rose to the dance. Escorting me to the center of the tepee, my coquettish companion selected another squaw, who placed herself at my other side. Then I, being fresh from civilization, proceeded to pass my arm around my partners waists, instead of their necks, as is the Indian custom. I blush to relate that, in thus passing my arm under their blankets, instead of the silks and corset stays the civilized arm is accustomed to encounter, there was naught but the bare and yielding flesh. With an indignant jerk Moka Wolftrack (that was her name) pulled my arm to its proper place around her neck, and we began to spring up and down to the monotonous howls and the dinning of the tom-tom.

THE KISS DANCE.

The sensations which I experienced in that dance were none of the pleasantest. On pins lest I should commit some breach of etiquette, I felt constrained and awkward, and the exercise of jumping about was so fatiguing that I was compelled, after a short time, to sit down. Then the two squaws laughed in great glee at having tired out the "pale face." They were splendid looking girls, and magnificent forms and smiling, jolly faces, but cross them and what a change! Those same girls in times of war would pierce the body of a captive with a thousand splinters, cut off his eyelids, bury him alive, and inflict any other torture their ingenuity could devise, and grin and gloat over his sufferings. But they smiled now and then and seemed gentle and soft—the difference between being their prisoner and their partner in a dance.

The social festivities are varied by a number of odd figures, the most interesting perhaps, being the "kiss dance." In this the buck has but one partner. His right arm is around her neck, and they spring up and down as in the preceding dance; then, at a certain moment the two duck their heads under the shawl (which is always worn, sleeping or waking) and the buck kisses his partner square on the mouth. In this operation it is customary for the buck to have some present in his mouth, a bone ring, bright bead, or something of that sort, which, when their eyes meet, he transfers to the mouth of the squaw. Although it was my pleasure to be invited by the charming Moka Wolftrack to join her in this dance, when the delicate moment came; and my hand was close to hers under the beaded shawl, I could not come quite to the point, and the interesting ceremony was deferred. I did, however, what I hope proved equally as acceptable, though not a la mode—I conveyed to her hand an American coin which will purchase just as much as if "kissed" into her mouth according to the usual rule.

THE SUN AND MEDICINE DANCES.

The dances I have mentioned are the Indians' "social" dances—they are danced at all seasons and by both sexes; of a far more interesting and of a fiercer nature are their war and religious dances—for instance, the "sun" dance. Here a certain number of braves, selected especially for their physical strength and endurance, strip themselves naked to the waist. One then gashes his arms and thighs with a keen knife; another pierces a hole through the fleshy portion of his chest, threads a rope through the hole and suspends himself from the center of the tepee, until his weight and struggles tear the flesh loose and release him. Still another "figure" of this horrible dance is to run a knife through the flesh on the back, pull a thong through the hole thus made, and on the end of the rope tie the skulls of five or six buffaloes. The brave then walks around the ring until the weight of the skulls tears the flesh through, leaving the back gaping with wounds, bleeding and horribly mutilated.

The "medicine" dance is almost equally as horrible as the "sun" dance. A "charm" is suspended from the center of one of the largest tepees and around this twenty or thirty men form a circle. Each one has a whistle and round and round they hop, keeping their eyes fastened on the charm and constantly blowing their whistles. This dance continues night and day, until the participants drop from sheer exhaustion. Some braves have been known to stand it five days. To appreciate what it means, blowing a whistle and hopping about a rag charm five consecutive days and nights, without pause for food or drink or performing nature's demands, try some day to toot a tin horn one hour's time—you will not, I think, want to take part in an Indian medicine dance. The government has attempted to prohibit these barbarous dances, but they are too deeply ingrafted in Indian nature to be eradicated, except by gradual civilization.

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Pride and Pie-Crust.

[Detroit Free Press.]

It was baking day at the Sawyers.

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Mrs. Sawyer was just rolling that tender pie-paste into great sheets of transparent dough, when there came a knock at the door. Mrs. Sawyer answered it, rolling-pin in hand. It was Willie Jones who had knocked.

"Please, Mrs. Sawyer," said the innocent child, "pa would like a piece of your pie-crust."

"Certainly, Willie," said Mrs. Sawyer, much flattered, "but it isn't baked yet."

"He doesn't want it baked."

"But he can't eat raw pie-crust."

"He isn't going to eat it."

"Then what is he going to do with it?"

"He said he wanted to mend the harness, and make hinges for the barn door with it, and——"

The rolling-pin hung fire, and the boy escaped, but the barrier between the houses of Jones and Sawyer can never be broken. It is tougher than the pie-crust.

Worse Than Dynamite.

[Exchange.]

"These dynamite explosions over in England," said the sleeping-car conductor, "remind me of an old woman and her jug of yeast. She got on at a small station out beyond Steubenville, carrying a gallon jug in her hand, which she told me contained a fine quality of home-made yeast. It was well corked and tied, and the old lady carried it to her berth with her, taking as much care of it as if it had been a baby. An hour or so later, when everybody was asleep, there was the most tremendous explosion ever heard in the sleeping-car, and all the neighbors of the woman had a shower bath of the frothy stuff from the shattered jug. It was dark, and they thought they were covered with their own blood. Such screaming you never heard, and the old woman herself was the most frightened of the lot. The shaking of the car had made the yeast livelier than dynamite, and an extra heavy lurch set it off. The bed-clothes of four sections had to be changed."

Well to Bear in Mind.

[Lime-Kiln Club.]

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[Engineering Review.]

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